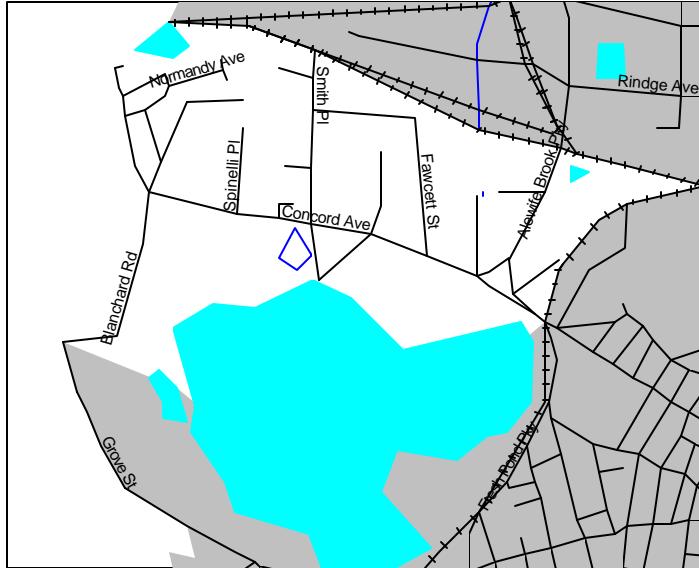
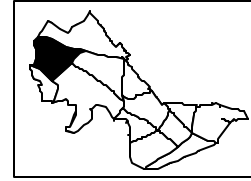


NEIGHBORHOOD 12 HIGHLANDS



BOUNDARIES: bordered by the B&M Railroad, the Belmont line, and Fresh Pond.

POPULATION: 582 residents
281 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$37,125

Neighborhood #12 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 4 (2 officers) and Car 13R (1 officer). Also included is walking route 12C.

2001 SECOND QUARTER REVIEW

The Highlands consistently ranks as one of the safest neighborhoods in Cambridge, with no **housebreaks** or **street robberies** to report and only eight **auto thefts** during the second quarter. The very small residential population of the Highlands is a contributing factor to the low crime rate. • Although there was a moderate decrease in the number of **larcenies from motor vehicles** in the second quarter of 2001, three of the seven incidents occurred on the Alewife Brook Parkway, with car CD players being the main targets in two of the three larcenies. • There was a significant decrease in **malicious destruction** incidents, but Alewife Brook Parkway continued to be a hot spot, accounting for half of the reported incidents. • The one **drug arrest** was the result of a successful Special Investigation Unit surveillance in the area of Fresh Pond Mall.

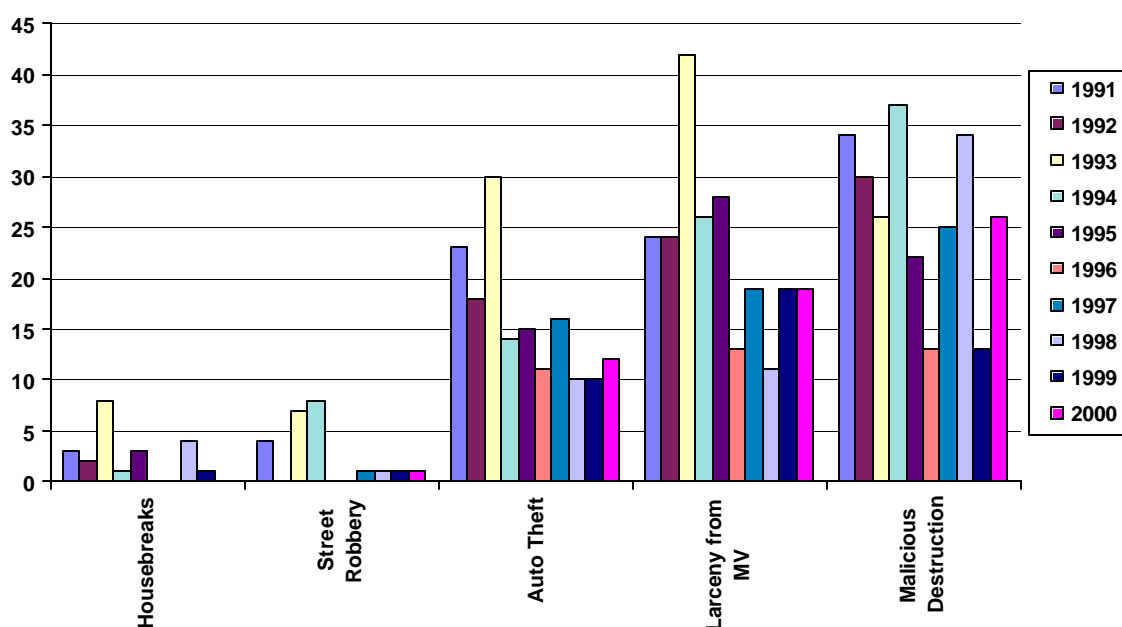
COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS SECOND QUARTER 2000 & 2001

CRIME	2 nd Q 2000	2 nd Q 2001	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	0	0	None
Street Robbery	0	0	None
Auto Theft	5	8	+60%
Larceny from MVs	9	7	-22%
Malicious Destruction	11	6	-45%
Drug Arrests	1	1	N.C.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Cambridge Highlands' minuscule population makes for very little residential criminal activity in the neighborhood. In addition to 281 households, the Highlands' border encompasses the Fresh Pond Mall, the northern part of Fresh Pond, and a number of warehouses. Most crime here is commercial, and is covered in the business district profiles.

- Cambridge Highlands vies with Strawberry Hill for the lowest index crime totals in the city. For all index crimes this decade, it has ranked twelfth or thirteenth out of the 13 neighborhoods.
- **Auto theft, larceny from motor vehicles, and malicious destruction** has sometimes become a problem in the Fresh Pond Mall and Fresh Pond Cinema parking lot. Mall security, however, has drastically reduced such incidents in recent years—almost to the point of statistical insignificance. Small patterns of automobile related crimes have been known to emerge on Smith Place and Mooney Street.
- **Larcenies from Persons** exhibits some patterns around the Fresh Pond Mall and the Fresh Pond Cinema, where pocketpickers use the darkness of the theater to conceal their crimes.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR HIGHLANDS AREA TARGET CRIMES					
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2000*
Housebreaks	6	13	3	13	13
Street Robbery	8	12	3	13	13
Auto Theft	54	11	16	11	12
Larceny from MVs	38	12	23	12	12
Malicious Destruction	28	12	26	12	12